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Bridge work on I-72 begins June 1  
Decks, approaches replaced in southwest Springfield

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that construction along Interstate 72 on the far southwest side of Springfield begins June 1.

The work involves replacing the decks and approaches of the bridges that carry I-72 over Wabash Avenue (exit 91) and the railroad just east of that interchange. It will be done in stages to keep at least one lane open in each direction at all times, with the open lane at a maximum width of 13 feet, 6 inches.

The project is expected to be complete by Dec. 1, and IDOT’s focus on bridge safety and maintenance will provide a smoother ride for motorists.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

For IDOT District 6 updates, follow us on Twitter at @IDOTDistrict6 or view area construction details on IDOT’s traveler information map on GettingAroundIllinois.com.

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